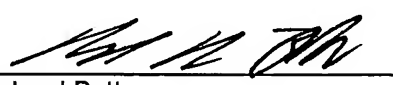
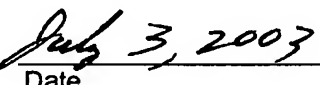
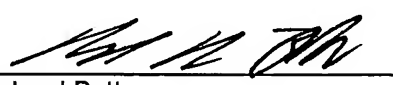
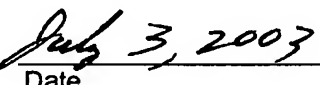
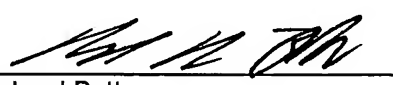
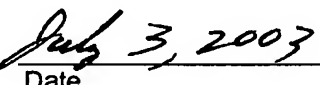
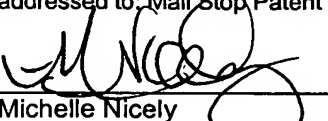
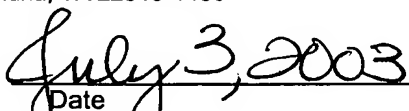
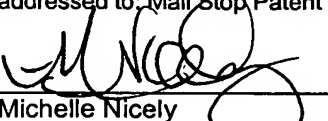
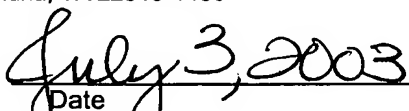
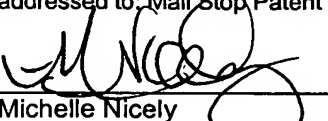
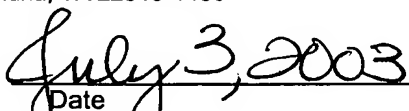


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1805 1,840	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner Action	
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